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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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18/03/2011: Valery, UA3QNS, is currently active from Sabah (IOTA OC-088, WLOTA 0119), East Malaysia, until 23 March 2011 as 9M6/UA3QNS. QRV on all HF bands/modes. He will be active in Russian DX Contest (19-20th March). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and LoTW [AT International]

18/03/2011: Kazu, JK3GAD/M0CFW, will be active from the isle of Jersey (IOTA EU-013, WLOTA 0818) as MJ0CFW from 18th-21st March 2011. QRV 160-10m, including an entry in the Russian DX Contest (19-20th March). QSL via M0CFW. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [NG3K]

18/03/2011: A team comprised of six YL's, namely Gayle K6GO, Margie KG6TBR, Ellen N6UWW, Michelle W5NYV, Rusty AF6WF and Georgia KI6LAV will be active from Signal Point, Curacao (IOTA SA-099, WLOTA 0942) on 18-21 March 2011, using the callsign PJ2/NA6YL. They will have 4 stations, and will be operating 24 hrs and try to work as many bands as possible. QSL via NA6YL direct, eQSL and LoTW. Website: yldxpeditions.com/ [dx-world.net]

19/03/2011: Alain, F6CUG/p will be active on 19 March 2011 from the Castle of Petit Ouges (DFCF 21-105), Department Cote d'Or/21 and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). QRV on 80 and 40 metres, starting about 0730 local time. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [radioamateur.org]

19/03/2011: Patrick, F8DYD/p, will activate the Castle of the Buthiere (DFCF 86-081) and the Mill a Tan (DMF 86-039) on 19th March 2011. QRV on 80 and 40 metre SSB. The castle and mill are located in the commune of Usson du Poitou, Department Vienne/86 and Province Poitou-Charentes (DPF 19). QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [F8DYD]

19/03/2011: Michel, F8GGZ/p will activate the Mill du Haut (DMF 39-037) on 19 March 2011. QRV on 80 and 40 metres, starting about 0730 local time. The Mill is located in the commune of Courlans (CP 39570), canton [county] Lons le Saunier Canton Nord (DDCF 39-15), Department Jura/39 and Province of Franche-Comte (DPF 10). QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [radioamateur.org]

19/03/2011: Tim, NL8F, will once again be active from Cocos Keeling (IOTA OC-003, WFF VKFF-577) as VK9CF between 19th and 29th of March 2011. QRV on 80-10 metres, maybe 160m given propagation. QSL via K8NA (QRZ.com). [islandchaser.com]

20/03/2011: Gildas, F6HMQ will once again be active from the island of Guadeloupe (IOTA NA-102, DIFO FG-001, WFF FFF-004, WLOTA 0644) as TO11A between 20 March and 1 April 2011. QRV on all HF bands, including an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27th March). QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [NG3K]

20/03/2011: John, VK6HZ, will once again be visiting Rottnest Island (IOTA OC-164, WLOTA 2197) on 20-27th March 2011. QRV holiday style on 40-10 metres

with focus on 17-10 metre CW and RTTY. Equipment will be IC-7000 running 100w into a Buddipole. This year QSL via VK6IR. [OPDX Bulletin]

20/03/2011: Operators Peter VK3ADO, John VK3DQ, Lino VK3EI, Mark VK3FMGF, Luke VK3HJ and Les VK3MLM will be active as VK7DI/3 from Yaringa (VIC), Australia (IOTA OC-001, WLOTA 1520), on 20th March 2011 before leaving on a 40-hour voyage to Deal Island (IOTA OC-195, VKFF-260, WW Loc. QF30PN), Tasmania. QRV on Deal Island for four days as VK7DI on HF using SSB, CW and EasyPal Digital Slow Scan. Operations will be located at Garden Cove which is located on the north side of the Island where they will be erecting a number of Tents ashore and will operate up to three frequencies at any one time. Power for the station will consist of a number of Batteries with both solar charging and a small generator set. QSL direct only (SAE/SASE + sufficient postage) to VK3DQ.

20/03/2011: Rudi, DK7PE will be active as Z22CW from Harare, Zimbabwe, on 20-26 March 2011. He will operate mainly CW usign wire antennas. QSL via DK7PE. [425 DX News]

21/03/2011: Stefan, DL7AOS, will be using the special callsign 5P5K from Romo Island (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-001, Grid Loc. JO45), Jutland, T?nder Municipality, South Denmark Region, between 20th March and 1st April 2011. QRV on 80-6 metres using a FT-857 with 500w into a vertical antenna near the beach. He will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via DL7AOS, direct or bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

21/03/2011: Kevan 2E0WMG (WAB Book Number 18247, ISWL G-21098) and Jonathan G0DVJ will be active from Lundy Island (IOTA EU-120, WLOTA 1997, GFF-103) 21st - 26th March 2011. QRV all HF bands 80-10m. G0DVJ will be CW and SSB with 2E0WMG SSB only. QSL details see QRZ.com. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

22/03/2011: Helmut, DF7ZS, will be active as CT9/homecall from Santana, island of Madeira (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001, WLOTA 0053) from 22nd to 29th March 2011. He will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27 March) as CQ3L (QSL via DJ6QT). Expect activity on all HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

22/03/2011: Geoff W0CG (PJ2DX), Jack N4RV, Marty K2PLF and others will be active from Signal Point, Curacao (IOTA SA-099, WLOTA 0942), between 22nd March and 6th April 2011, including a M/S or M/2 entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27 March) as PJ2T. Outside the contest they will use PJ2/homecall or their personal PJ2 callsigns. QSL via their home calls. QSL PJ2T via N9AG / LoTW. [CCC]

23/03/2011: Martin, ON4PO, will again be active from the island of Rhodes (IOTA EU-001, WLOTA 0045, WW Loc. KM46CJ) as J45PO between 23rd of March and 4th of April 2011. He will also participate in the CQ WPX SSB Contest (26-27th March) using the callsign SX5P (QSL QRZ.com), a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. Outside the contest, Martin plans to be QRV on all HF bands using SSB and also some PSK. QSL for J45PO via my homecall ON4PO. [NG3K]

23/03/2011: Chris, F8DZY, will be in Ajaccio, Corsica Island (IOTA EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390), during 23 March to 17 April 2011 for a job mission. He will sign TK/F8DZY with activity on 80-10m CW, SSB, RTTY (vertical and 100W) as much as possible in free time. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [dx-world.net]

23/03/2011: Jim WB2REM (V31MM), Paul W4PGM (V31PM) and Glenn KD2JA (V31GB) will be operating from Placencia Village, Stann Creek District, Belize, on 23-30th March 2011. During the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27 March), they will use the callsign V31MM. Prior to and after the contest they will be operating under their own individual callsigns. QSL direct only to each operator's callsign. QRV on 160-6m SSB and CW, with focus on the 30/17/12m bands and 6 metres (WW Loc. EK56TM). [OPDX Bulletin]

23/03/2011: Dave, W5CW, will once again be active as VP5/homecall from the VP5JM 'Hamlet' on Providenciales Island (IOTA NA-002, WLOTA 1476, WW Loc. FL31VS) between 23 March and 20 April 2011. QRV on 160-6 metre CW and SSB. At the Hamlet, they usually monitor 50.125MHz upper sideband for openings. Dave will also participate in the SP DX Contest (2-3 April), JIDX CW Contest (9-11 April), and the YU DX Contest (16-17 April), using the special callsign VQ51V during all three contests. QSL direct only via W5CW or via PO Box 88, Morris, OK 74445-0088 U.S.A. [NG3K]

24/03/2011: Russell, G5XW, will be active on all HF bands as GJ5XW from the Isle of Jersey (IOTA EU-013, WLOTA 0818) on 24-28th of March 2011. Activity will also include an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27th March). QSL via G5XW, direct only (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

24/03/2011: Operators Raffaello IT9ATF, Renato IT9NPR, Pippo IT9PPG and Pino IT9WDC will be active as IF9A (possibly IF9/homecalls as well) from Favignana Island (IOTA EU-054, IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA 1545) on 24-27th of March 2011. They will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27th March) as a Multi-Single entry (CQ Zone 15), using the callsign IF9A. Outside the contest look for activity on all HF bands/modes. QSL via IT9ATF, bureau or direct. [NG3K]

25/03/2011: Eri, JF1VGZ (an 11 year old YL) and Masa, JA1MFR will be active as KH0/KH7ERI and KH0/WN1Y, respectively, from Himawari, Saipan Island (IOTA OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc. QK25CE) on 25-29 March 2011. This will also include an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27th March). QRV on all HF bands/modes, plus 6 metres. QSL both calls JF1VGZ, direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/03/2011: Adrian, AA5UK, will be signing ZF2AE/ZF8 from Little Cayman Island (IOTA NA-016, WLOTA 1490, Grid Loc. EK99) between 25th of March and 2nd of April 2011. QRV holiday style on 40-10 metre SSB, RTTY and PSK31 + satellite, using IC-7000 + Vertical antenna. He also plans to participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27th March) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL direct to AA5UK. [NG3K]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

26/03/2011: Look for Ed N4OC, Brian W3BW and Scott K0DQ to be active from the P49V QTH, located at the north end of the island of Aruba (IOTA SA-036, WLOTA 0033, CQ Zone 9), during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27 March) as a Multi-Single entry, using the callsign P40M. QSL via W3HNK. [NG3K]

26/03/2011: Albert, F5VHJ, will be active as TO5A from the QTH of Laurent (FM5BH), in Ducos, island of Martinique (IOTA NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041, WFF FFF-016, DDFM 97) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27 March) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

02/04/2011: Ray, M1REK and Andy, M1LOL will be active as MM1REK/p from the Isle of Barra (IOTA EU-010, IOSA OH11, SCOTIA HI02, WLOTA 3126, WAB NF70, WW Loc. IO66GX) on 2-9 April 2011. Plans are to be QRV on 80-10 metres, using SSB and digital modes mainly PSK and RTTY. They also hope to operate from

Vatersay (IOSA OH07, SCOTIA HI01, WAB NL69, WW Loc. IO66FV). QSL via M1REK, bureau preferred. Website: www.m1rek.co.uk/ [rsgbiota.org]

06/04/2011: Oliver, F6ARC, will be active holiday style from the island of Martinique (IOTA NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041, WFF FFF-016) as FM/F6ARC on 6-21 April 2011. QRV on the HF bands, using mainly CW. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [NG3K]

09/04/2011: The Philippine ham community is deciding to put up a special event station 4D69DM on 9th April 2011 at Mt. Samat, located in the Town of Pilar, Province of Bataan, Luzon Island (IOTA OC-042, WLOTA 0081) Republic of the Philippines. Mt. Samat is the site of the Dambana ng Kagitingan or "Shrine of Valor". The date was chosen because of the Death March that happened on 9th April 1942 - some 69 years ago, hence the numeric indicator in the callsign. Butch DU1RP, Alex DU3LCA and Bong DU3BS will conduct a site survey where to put the equipment and put up a tent. It will be a straightforward set-up - TS850, SB201, Steppir BigIR. The back up will be an FT897, SB200 and home-brew wire dipoles. The operators will be Thelma DU1IVT, Alex DU3LCA, Bong DU3BS, Butch DU1RP and Ramon DU1UGZ. They will be operating for 24 hours only. QSL via operators' instructions. [dx-world]

10/04/2011: Mal, VK6LC, is returning to Vietnam and will be active as both XV2LC and XV4LC. Although on a cultural tour of central northen Vietnam, Mal hopes to be active on 20m CW/SSB on the following dates: 10-15th April 2011 from Ho Chi Min City as XV2LC; 19-24th April 2011 from the Mekong Delta as XV4LC. QSL goes direct only to VK6LC (QRZ.com). [dx-world]

15/04/2011: Mathias DJ9MD, Jens DK8MIL, Jan DK7JAN and Thomas DK9BTX will be active on 15-18 April 2011 as DF0TM from Sylt Island (IOTA EU-042, GIA/DID N-016, WLOTA 2057). QRV on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the bureau or direct (see QRZ.com) to DF0TM. Website: www.df0tm.de/ [rsgbiota.org]

15/04/2011: From 15-22 April 2011, Jan-Willem, PA7JWC and Monique, PD7DB will be active as PJ/homecall from the island of Curacao (IOTA SA-099, WLOTA 0942). They will be QRV on 80-10m SSB/CW/RTTY/PSK. QSL via home callsigns (and LoTW for PJ2/PA7JWC). [PA7JWC]

17/04/2011: UPDATE: Craig, VK4LDX, will be active as homecall/p from Magnetic Island (IOTA OC-171, WFF VKFF-299) on 17-20th of April 2011. The IOTA antenna has been upgraded so the old Butternut HF9V will now be the back up. The main antenna will be a newly acquired Spiderbeam 0m-15m-10m tribander to be put on a 10m aluminium pole with tripod. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Craig does not use eQSL or LoTW. More details will be provided over the upcoming months. Website: vk4ldxoc171.blogspot.com/ [rsgbiota.org]

08/05/2011: Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as SV5/PA1FJ/p from Pigadia village, island of Karpathos (IOTA EU-001, GIOTA DKS-016, MIA MGD-013, WLOTA 1570, WW Loc. KM35OM) on 8-14 May 2011. QRV on 40-6 metres, using a FT-817, Buddistick and 2x5m dipole. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [rsgbiota.org]

28/05/2011: Val, RD3A, will once again activate EF8M as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (28-29 May) from Santa Maria de Guia, Las Palmas Gran Canaria (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA 0969, WFF EAFF-078, CQ Zone 33). QSL via UA3DX. [NG3K]

28/05/2011: Jim, N6TJ, will be active as NH7A from Keaau, Hawaii (IOTA OC-019, USi HI025S, WLOTA 0065, Hawaii County), in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (28-29 May), as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via F5VHJ (QRZ.com).

31/05/2011: Peter M0NED, Steve M6ZIX and Paul 2E0GDD plan to be active as GB1KLD from the isle of Hirta (IOSA OL02, SCOTIA DI23), St. Kilda (IOTA EU-059) between the 31st of May and 3rd of June 2011. They will have 2 stations on 80-6 metres. Some experimental FM on 10m and 6m if conditions are good. Sea conditions on the 50 mile crossing may result in a delay to station setup or extended operting days. QSL via the RSGB bureau. Updates will be on the website: www.stkilda.ukradio.eu/ [rsgbiota.org]

08/07/2011: The Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of Australia are planning a major DXpedition to Lord Howe Island (IOTA OC-004, WFF VKFF-295) between 8th July and 17th July 2011. The VK9HR team will be on the Island for approx. 10 days, and will be operating on multiple bands simultaneously to give everyone the chance to contact Lord Howe Island. Further info to follow. [VK3YP]

11/07/2011: Helge, LA1QDA will be active from Sotra Island [Store Sotra] (IOTA EU-055, WW Loc. JP20MH) on 11-31 July 2011. He plans to be QRV on 80-6 metres, mainly SSB and CW. QSL via his home call, direct or by the bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

17/07/2011: Look for Chris, DL4FO, to be active as OZ/homecall on 17-29 July 2011 from Tuno [Tunoe, Tun?] Island (IOTA EU-172, DIA JY-009, WW Loc. JO55FW). Chris will be QRV on all HF bands, plus 6 metres, mainly CW. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [rsgbiota.org]

22/07/2011: Operators Antonio CU8AS, Arlindo CT1EGW, Carlos CT1END, Joao Rafael CT1BOP, Luis CT1EEQ, Luis CT4NH and Hermann/HB9CRV will be active as CT7/homecall and CT7/homecall/p from Insua Island (IOTA EU-150, DIP MI-001, PIP NT-001, DCFP F-006, DCP CVC-046 and CVC-047, DMHP VC-017 and VC-061, DFP FM-101, DMP 1602, DDFP CMN-12, WW Loc. IN51NU). Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. They will also be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July) using the callsign CR6W. It is planned that some operators will stay some extra days on Insua Island and activate the lighthouse (ARLHS POR-028, WLOTA 2869). QSL CR6W via CS1GDX. QSL others via their home callsigns. Further information can be found at: gpdx.netpower.pt/ and www.to-mk.com/neu/ [Southgate ARC]

28/07/2011: Operators Hans DO3HJW, Robert DH8HD, DL3LED, Olaf DL4HG and Andy DL7AT will be active as OZ0TX between 28 July and 1 August 2011, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July) from Mando [Mandoe, Mand?] Island (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-003, WW Loc. JO45GG). Look for them to be QRV on all HF bands, SSB and CW. QSL via DL7AT, bureau or direct. [rsgbiota.org]

09/09/2011: Look for Mike, DL4ABO and Martin, DC8MH to be active on the HF bands as OZ/homecall from Fano [Fanoe, Fan?] Island (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-002) on 9-11 September 2011. Martin, OZ/DC8MH will operate CW and SSB, while Mike, OZ/DL4ABO will operate CW only. QSL via home calls, direct or by the bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

18/03/2011: The Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club will be putting GB0BB on the air on the weekend of 18-20 March from Fort Paull, in East Yorkshire, England (IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 1841). The station will celebrate the 6th anniversary of the Blackburn Beverley XB259 aircraft. QSL via M0HFC, direct

or via the RSGB bureau. Website: www.qrz.com/db/GB0BB [GB2RS]

19/03/2011: Special event callsign V521NAM will be in use on 19-21 March 2011 to celebrate the 21st anniversary of the independence of the Republic of Namibia and the 21st birthday of the Namibian Amateur Radio League (NARL). All amateurs in Namibia are allowed to use the special event callsign for the duration of the event, and all operators are required to send in their logs so the NARL QSL bureau can send out special QSL cards to all worked stations. [425 DX News]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

18/03-21/03 MJ0CFW: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL M0CFW (d)
18/03-21/03 PJ2/K6GO: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL HC (d/b)
20/03-01/04 TO11A: Guadeloupe Island WLOTA:0644 QSL F6HMQ (d/b)
20/03-27/03 VK6HZ/P: Rottnest Island WLOTA:2197 QSL VK6IR (QRZ.com)
21/03-26/03 2E0WMG/P: Lundy Island WLOTA:1997 QSL HC (d/b)
21/03-26/03 G0DVJ/P: Lundy Island WLOTA:1997 QSL HC (d/eQSL)
22/03-29/03 CT9/DF7ZS: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
22/03-06/04 PJ2/K2PLF: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL HC (d)
22/03-06/04 PJ2/N4RV: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL HC (d)
22/03-06/04 PJ2DX: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL W0CG (d)
23/03-02/04 J45PO: Nisos Rodos WLOTA:0045 QSL ON4PO (d/b)
23/03-17/04 TK/F8DZY: Corsica Island WLOTA:1390 QSL HC (d/b)
23/03-20/04 VP5/W5CW: Caicos Island WLOTA:1476 QSL HC (d)
24/03-28/03 GJ5XW: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL G5XW (d)
24/03-27/03 IF9/IT9ATF: Isola di Favignana WLOTA:1545 QSL HC (d/b)
24/03-27/03 IF9/IT9NPR: Isola di Favignana WLOTA:1545 QSL HC (d/b)
24/03-27/03 IF9/IT9PPG: Isola di Favignana WLOTA:1545 QSL HC (d/b)
24/03-27/03 IF9/IT9WDC: Isola di Favignana WLOTA:1545 QSL HC (d/b)
25/03-29/03 KH0/KH7ERI: Saipan Island WLOTA:1333 QSL JF1VGZ (d)
25/03-29/03 KH0/WN1Y: Saipan Island WLOTA:1333 QSL JF1VGZ (d)
25/03-02/04 ZF2AE/ZF8: Little Cayman WLOTA:1490 QSL AA5UK (d)

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COUNTY HUNTING (USA-CA) -

W8FT - March 19 to March 19 - SSB, CW and Data
On Saturday March 19, 2011 the Findlay Radio Club will have a special event station operating from 1300Z until 0100Z. We will be celebrating 90 years as a club. This will be a good time to get Hancock County Ohio on SSB, CW and RTTY and maybe PSK31 and also the W call which no county hunter in the county uses. QST and CQ magazines have further details. NA8W is handling the QSL duties, see QRZ.com for details. [County Hunter Web]

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6 METRES & UP -

18/03-20/03 SARL VHF/UHF Contest CW/SSB/FM 18 1600z-20 1000z
19/03 AGCW VHF/UHF Contest 144MHz 1400z-1659z
19/03 AGCW VHF/UHF Contest 432MHz 1700z-1759z
19/03-20/03 North Dakota QSO Party 6-2m included 19 1700z-20 0100z
19/03-20/03 Oklahoma QSO Party 6m included
19/03-21/03 Virginia QSO Party 50.130, 144.200 (CW & SSB), 146.580, 223.50, 446.00 MHz
20/03 UBA Spring 6m Contest 0700z-1100z
20/03-01/04 5P5K: Romo Island EU-125 Grid:JO45 6m 100w QSL DL7AOS (d/b)
22/03 RSGB 50MHz UKAC 2000z-2230z

22/03 The 50MHz Open Cumulative 1800z-2200z
23/03-30/03 V31GB: Belize Grid:EK56TM 6m 50w 3el/3el stack QSL KD2JA (d)
23/03-30/03 V31MM: Belize Grid:EK56TM 6m 50w 3el/3el stack QSL WB2REM (d)
23/03-30/03 V31PM: Belize Grid:EK56TM 6m 50w 3el/3el stack QSL W4PGM (d)
23/03-20/04 VP5/W5CW: Provo NA-002 Grid:FL31VS 50.125USB 7elM2 QSL HC (d)
25/03-29/03 KH0/KH7ERI: Saipan OC-086 Grid:QK25 6m 4el 500w QSL JF1VGZ (d)
25/03-29/03 KH0/WN1Y: Saipan OC-086 Grid:QK25CE 6m 4el 500w QSL JF1VGZ (d)
25/03-02/04 ZF2AE/ZF8: Little Cayman NA-016 Grid:EK99 sat SSB QSL AA5UK (d)

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 09 March, 2011)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFORMATION -

QSL STATUS - S9DX
Now we?ll start to send out QSLs in the following sequence.
1st - to members of DX-foundations with a QSL service which supported us
by donation.
2nd - to individual sponsors.
3th - to users of our QSL request system with sufficient return postage.
4th - to direct QSL request senders with SAE + sufficient return postage.
5th - special LOTW upload for supporters.
6th - LOTW upload, all other QSL requests not mentioned above. [dx-world]

QSLs via Bureau: None to report! :o(

QSLs via Direct: 3B8/EA3BT (hc), 3B8/SP2FUD (hc), 3C?CW (EA3CW), 4L5O
(N3SL), 5J?BV (K7BV), 6Y1LZ (K1LZ), 7Z1HL (DJ9ZB), 9M6YBG (QRZ.com), 9Q5?ON
(ON4BR), A25DF (IK1MDF), C4SV (SV2DGH), CM3RPN (EB7DX), CS7/PD?HNL (hc),
CY?X (VE3IKV), DP1POL (DL1ZBO), DT8A (HL2FDW), DU1/JJ5GMJ (JH5RXS), E51PJT
(G3PJT), EK7DX (QRZ.com), ER24?C (ER5AA), ET3JA (OK3AA), FG5GP (QRZ.com),
FJ/VE3EY (hc), FM/AI5P (hc), FM/F5LGE (hc), FO/N6JA (hc), HL5IVL (QRZ.com),
JY4NE (K3IRV), LU1ZC (LU4DXU), OH1K (OH1JO), OJ?B (OH2BH) OM3EY (QRZ.com),
OX2A (OZ1ACB), OX3DB (QRZ.com), OZ5E (QRZ.com), PJ2/N2MF (hc), PJ2/OH1VR
(hc), PJ2MI (EB7DX), PJ2T (N9AG), PJ4D (W3HNK), PJ4I (DL9USA), PJ4N (DJ8NK),
PJ5/AA4NC (hc), PJ5/SP6IXF (hc), PJ6A (N4NX), S21YX (JH1AJT), S5?O
(QRZ.com), SA3W (SM3EVR), ST2AR (S53R), SV9AHZ (QRZ.com), SY8AN (SV2DGH),
T3?OU (N7OU), TM?WAP (F8DHE) V31YN (DJ4KW), V73NS (W3HNK), VK?KEV (JE1LET),
Z23MS (UA3DX), Z24EA (DL4EA), ZD9T (DJ2EH) and ZL8X (DJ2MX).

QSLs via LoTW: 4X2?HC, 7Z1HL, 9K2F [AS-118], C6ANM, C6APG, CE3DNP, CN8KD,
CT3DZ, CW5W, D2SG, D4C, EF8R, ER4DX, F2DX, HH4/AF4Z, IZ4GWE, J7Y, J73WA,
KH6/AA4V, KH6MB, NH7A, KL7RA, KM4DR, LA9DFA, LP2F, LU6ETB, LY1??SP,
LZ17?MDS, MD/PA3EWP, NY3C, P49Y, PJ2/K9NV, PJ2/OE3JAG, PJ2/W1NG, PJ2/WI9WI,
PJ2T, PJ4A, PJ4D, PJ4NX, PJ5/AA4NC, PJ5/K1XM, PJ6A, PJ7/K1GI, PJ7E, S59ABC,
SV9/ON6WP, TG7/N6HD, TG9AGR, TM6M, UA6YGN, V21ZG, V31YN, V44KAI, VE3IFS/W2,
WP4SK, XE2S, XE7S and ZS2I.
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BITS & PIECES -

Hams Invited to Track Satellites

In November 2010, five research satellites were carried to orbit aboard a Minotaur V rocket from Kodiak Island, Alaska. Two of these satellites -- FASTRAC 1, known as "Sara Lily" and FASTRAC 2, referred to as "Emma" -- entered orbit as a single nanosatellite, but on March 15, scientists sent the command to have them separate.

According to FASTRAC Student Program Manager Sebastian Munoz, KE5FKV, students at the University of Texas will be confirming the separation as the satellites pass: "We started one of the most exciting phases of our project by separating both of our girls so that they can compute on-orbit real-time relative navigation solutions while both of them are freely drifting from one another."

Munoz said that they will continue to update the satellites' two line elements (TLEs) on their website for those radio amateurs interested in tracking the two nanosatellites. "I want to thank the ham community all over the world for supporting our project," Munoz said. "Your support has been incredible and we really value it. We really appreciate all of your help so far and we hope that we can continue to count on it."

The FASTRAC website with the current TLEs can be found at:
http://fastrac.ae.utexas.edu/for_radio_operators/users/phpBB3/predictedorbit.php
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